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Applicants request consideration of the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form. Copies of the references are enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of an English translation of an International Search Report and an International Preliminary Report on Patentability (both from International Application No. PCT/JP2004/014919).

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Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention co-pending and co-owned non-provisional application serial number 10/575,192 (Attorney Docket No. 14875-159US1), which has overlapping inventorship with the above-referenced application. Applicants assume that the Examiner has ongoing access to the file of this related application and can obtain copies of prosecution documents from the file if at any point in the future he/she considers it potentially relevant to issues in the present application. Applicants will supply copies of such documents from the related application's file, should the Examiner request them.

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